#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

## **Present Application:**

Applicants : Christen M. Anderson, et al.

Title : PRODUCTION OF ADENINE NUCLEOTIDE TRANSLOCATOR

(ANT), NOVEL ANT LIGANDS AND SCREENING ASSAYS

**THEREFOR** 

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# **Prior Application:**

Examiner : Holly Schnizer, Ph.D.

Art Unit : 1653

Application No.: 09/393,441

Box Patent Application Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

#### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

#### Commissioner for Patents:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

#### In the Specification:

Amend the specification by deleting the section before the "Technical Field" and inserting a new section as follows:

### -- CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a divisional of pending U.S. Patent Application No. 09/393,441, filed September 8, 1999, which application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/185,904, filed November 3, 1998, and which applications are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety. --

# In the Claims:

Please withdraw from consideration claims 5-7, 27-28 and 42-112 without prejudice to the filing of any divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part application.

#### **REMARKS**

Claims 1-112 are pending in this application. In the present Amendment, applicants respectfully request that claims 5-7, 27-28 and 42-112 be withdrawn without prejudice, such that claims 1-4, 8-26 and 29-41 are currently pending. The present application is a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 09/393,441, filed September 8, 1999 ("the parent application"), which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/185,904, filed November 3, 1998.

Attached hereto is a marked version of the changes made to the specification by the present amendment. The attached page is captioned <u>"Version with markings to show changes made."</u>

Consideration of the present claims is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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## In the specification:

The paragraph beginning at page 1, line 3 has been amended as follows:

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